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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yasuharu Yoshida

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Examiner: Ly, Nghi H.

For: AUTOMOBILE COMMUNICATIONS METHOD AND SYSTEM

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2005.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-50 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1, 4, 13, 40, and 45-50 are independent.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's indication that claims 5, 9, 15-19, 25-29, and 36-39 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. However, Applicant respectfully submits that all of the claims are allowable.

Claims 1-4, 6-8, 10-14, 20-21, 24, 30-31, 34-35, and 40-50 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over as being unpatentable over the D'Amico, et al. '100 reference, in view of the D'Amico, et al. '593 reference, and further in view of the Gitlits reference and yet further in view of the Barlett et al. reference, and in even further view of the Shi reference, and in yet further view of the Sexton et al. reference. Claims 22-23 and 32-33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over as being unpatentable over the D'Amico, et al. '100 reference,